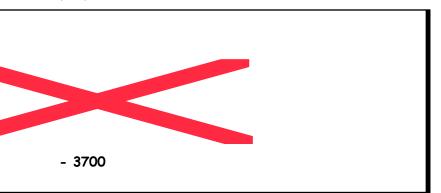
of galaxies, the birth of stars and proto-planetary blanetary systems and the conditions for life



ormance for both imaging and spectroscopy, bilities of other facilities: 2 orders of magnitude more e better spatial resolution and about 5 times higher this will open up a huge scientific discovery space

SWS on ISO R~1200 -16 Log₁₀(Line Flux/[watt/m²]) Michelle on Gemini-N R~3000 -17 -**♦**- 8-m -SIRTF S on Spitzer R~600 <u></u> 4 30-m -18 -JWST MIRI MRS on JWST R~3000 -20 10 15 20 25 Wavelength [microns] 30 35 compared to ion limited elescope, the Limiting Sensitivity (10 sigma, 10,000 sec)

> MIRI's Coronagraphy filters have been chosen to study debris disks and exoplanets. (fig.courtesy A. Boccaletti)

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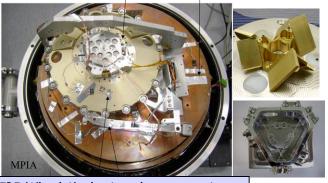
Unresolved spectral line from a point source,

comparing MIRI, ISO, Gemini and Spitzer





MIRI Focal Plane System – showing detector in FPM, and EM signal chain electronics board



MIRI Wheel Mechanisms have extensive heritage from ISO. Pictures show demonstration model Imager

filter wheel in test, spectrometer grating and dichroic wheels

Spectrometer Main Optics

Primary Structure Deck

Key MIRI Design Feat

- · Lightweighted, all aluminium
- · Supported by thermally isol
- · Instrument cooled to ~7K b
- · Three 1kx1k SiAs detector
- · 3 wheels based on ISO des
- · Contamination control cover
- · Light enters from the teles
- The fields of view of the II Spectrometer are defined and
- Imager optics on one side o

Calibration sources for both the ima

Contamination
Control Cover

UoL

Pick0ff Mirror

MIRI STM entering test chamber for thermal balance testing.

- · Successfully cooled to 6K, cooldown rate matched predictions
- Pick-off Mirror decontamination and thermal strap performance demonstrated



MIRI CAD

- Vibration to
- Cryo-alignmer
 predictability
 tolerances





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